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USIA SURVEY

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Member of Survey: [REDACTED]

Observer: USIA B. Franklin Steiner, ICS/USIA

1. Mr. Steiner, Chief of the Translation Branch, Publications Division, ICS and recently returned from an inspection tour of the Far East, feels that he speaks for himself as well as many PAOs when he says that he has no answer to the question about how much additional intelligence is needed for his work because he does not know how much or what kinds of intelligence might be made available to him and his men. Additional information could, of course, be used at every post in the world. He also believes that the PAOs could furnish information that might be of use to intelligence. To date no satisfactory means of communication between PAOs and intelligence personnel has been found.

2. Regardless of the outcome of the present survey, I believe that every effort should be made at every level to facilitate communications between intelligence personnel and officers of USIA. Only by a continuous exchange of ideas and information can each know what the other has to offer. It is difficult to say how the problem of meeting the intelligence needs of USIA or even the problem of defining USIA intelligence needs can ever be solved as long as intelligence personnel look upon PAOs and other officers of the government outside the intelligence community to be second class citizens.

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